GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Poly-Houses
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government is aware that use of poly-houses for agricultural activities under controlled environment is extremely beneficial to have high yield and fairly good quality in production of fruits, vegetables and flowers;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to make the poly-houses for agricultural activities popular amongst small farmers to uplift their economic condition;

(c) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to ensure that the small farmers get financial assistance to raise poly-houses on their land;

(d) whether the Government proposes to make available technological skills to the farmers desirous of undertaking agricultural activities using poly-houses, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of the financial assistance provided by the Government to various States in this regard during the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a) to (c): Yes, Madam. Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) is being implemented in all states/UTs during XII Plan and provides assistance for protected cultivation through Green House structures/poly houses. For Fan & Pad and

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Naturally ventilated system Green house (Tubular structure), assistance is provided @ 50% of cost for a maximum area of 4000 sq. mtrs. Per beneficiary. For wooden and bamboo structure green house, assistance is provided @ 50% of cost limited to 20 units per beneficiary and each unit not exceeding 200 sq. m. Assistance for protected cultivation is also being provided under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) and National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA).

(d): Under the HRD programme of MIDH, training of farmers, entrepreneurs, field level workers and officials is envisaged, including for protected cultivation, Further, 22 Precision Farming Development Centres (PFDCs) have been established in the country to standardize precision farming, promote use of various plasticulture technologies and to provide training & awareness programmes. Farmers are also provided technical literature and information about financial assistance under the scheme in local languages.

(e): Statement indicating State wise assistance provided under MIDH during the last three years and current year, for Protected Cultivation is given at Annexure.